



# HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION No. 3

## DIGEST OF INTRODUCED RESOLUTION

**Citations Affected:** Article 4 of the Indiana Constitution.

**Synopsis:** Legislative terms. Provides that an individual may not serve more than 24 years as a member of the general assembly. Provides that the time that an individual has served in the general assembly before January 1, 2011, may not be considered for purposes of this limitation. This proposed amendment has not been previously agreed to by a general assembly.

**Effective:** This proposed amendment must be agreed to by two consecutive general assemblies and ratified by a majority of the state's voters voting on the question to be effective.

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January 8, 2007, read first time and referred to Committee on Rules and Legislative Procedure.

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Introduced

First Regular Session 115th General Assembly (2007)

PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in **this style type**, and deletions will appear in ~~this style type~~.

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A JOINT RESOLUTION proposing an amendment to Article 4 of the Indiana Constitution concerning the general assembly.

*Be it resolved by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

- 1 SECTION 1. The following amendment to the Constitution of the
- 2 State of Indiana is proposed and agreed to by this, the One Hundred
- 3 Fifteenth General Assembly of the State of Indiana, and is referred to
- 4 the next General Assembly for reconsideration and agreement.
- 5 SECTION 2. ARTICLE 4, SECTION 3 OF THE CONSTITUTION
- 6 OF THE STATE OF INDIANA IS AMENDED TO READ AS
- 7 FOLLOWS: Section 3. **Senators (a) Subject to subsection (c):**
- 8 (1) **a Senator** shall be elected for ~~the a~~ term of four years; and
- 9 **Representatives**
- 10 (2) **a Representative** shall be elected for ~~the a~~ term of two years;
- 11 from the day next after ~~their the~~ **Senator's or Representative's**
- 12 general election.
- 13 (b) One half of the Senators, as nearly as possible, shall be elected



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1 biennially.  
2 (c) The sum of:  
3 (1) the number of years an individual serves as a Senator; and  
4 (2) the number of years an individual serves as a  
5 Representative;  
6 may not be greater than twenty-four years. The number of years  
7 that an individual has served as a Senator or as a Representative  
8 before January 1, 2011, may not be considered in determining  
9 whether the limitation of this subsection applies to the individual.

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